

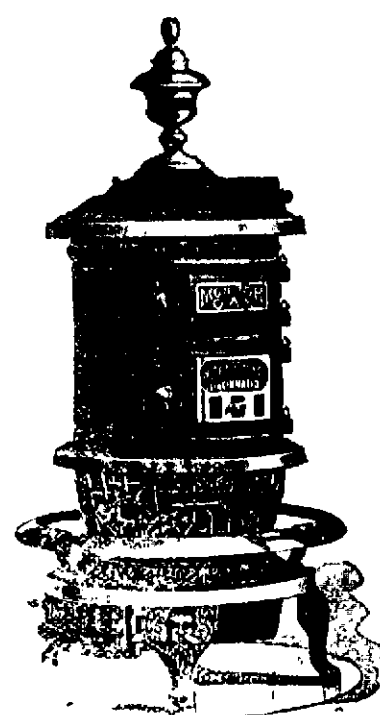
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The New Shoe Store, 117 North Water street, is now open and solicits a call. We carry a fine and medium line of Ladies' Misses' and Children's Shoes; also Men's, Boys' and Youths' Boots and Shoes, from the best manufacturers in the East. Every article warranted as represented. If you chose to bring back the goods uninjured we will return the money. We have come to stay, and solicit a share of your patronage.

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WEDNESDAY EVE., FEB. 9, 1887

LOCAL NEWS.

For presents look through the mammoth assortment at
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.
Around the world in 80 days to-night. VALENTINES at the City Book Store. AMICE in "Mam'zelle" to-morrow night. The body of the late Mrs. Barnes was placed in a vault in Greenwood.
JUSTIN MCCARTHY February 17th.
The Wise-Selbering paper mill enterprise will soon develop. The plant is to be located southwest of the city.
CERTAINLY no one can object to the price to-morrow night. Notwithstanding the noted artists that appear, Amice and her excellent company, only the regular prices charged, 25, 50 and 75 cents.
The play of surprises to-morrow night. Amice in Mam'zelle.
Rev. Dr. Vosstron will preach at the Baptist church this evening, subject, "The Unpardonable Sin." The ordinance of Baptism will be administered to six candidates. The public is cordially invited to attend.
The "Fater Shuttler" is the best wagon in the world. feb9-14wif
OYSTERS in bulk and by the can at Hanks & Patterson's popular grocery store, 143 South Water street.
The tenth or "tin" anniversary of the organization of the Decatur Young Men's Christian Association will soon be held in connection with a district conference. I. E. Brown and other association workers from abroad will be present.
DRESSED poultry, buckwheat flour, oysters, celery and fruits at Lehman & Bolen's popular grocery store.
The ordering groceries from S. P. Cowan, successor to I. F. Peck & Co., in Haworth Block. Bitter's Preserves and Apple Butter at almost cost prices, and many other delicacies usually kept in a first-class grocery. feb9-14wif
TRADE with Knudse & Osborn, the new grocers at Newell Bros' old stand. They have a fine stock of new goods which they sell at low figures.
Oysters Decatur call from Niedeimeyer's cash grocery store.

THIS morning the REPUBLICAN received another edition of the beef problem, coming from W. B. Buchanan, city editor. He figures that A gets 202.46 pounds, and B 237.54 pounds.
200 SAYING ROOMS, at \$2.50, worth four dollars. 150 also at \$3.50, worth five dollars. Just received by
LINS & SCRUGGS.
Buy a Haworth Iron-Pelton Wagon. feb9-14wif
SPECIAL meetings of the city council and county board are to be held to consider the location requirements of the state fair.
NEARLY every day Postmaster Jack devotes considerable time at the registered letter desk. He is quick with a pen.
Buy Hatfield & Co.'s White Plover flour and you will be pleased.
THE celebrated iron fellow farm wagons are on sale at D. F. Hammer's shops on Wood street.
ORDER J. Lytle & Co. to leave Jersey milk, Vienna bread and family groceries at your homes.
CONTINUE to buy your meats at DeLann Bros' market. Everything neat and clean. Oysters in bulk and by the can.
SEND in orders by telephone to A. J. Smith & Son for family groceries and Nickey butter.
ALL leading grocers sell Shellabarger's White Leaf and Daily Bread flour.

Trial at Niantic.
A law suit which attracted a great deal of attention is now in progress before Judge John Cassell, in the town hall at Niantic. It is The People vs. George Farmer, charged with perjury. It is another case growing out of the row which occurred at the depot at that place about a week ago. Mr. Farmer is the city marshal, and the day of the row was at the depot when the afternoon mail arrived from the east, and in making an arrest, Henry Chapman interfered and the prisoner made his escape. Chapman proved to be something like "Peck's Bad Boy," a little unruly, and assistance was called for and aid was not received until four persons were called. Warrants were at once issued for the arrest of those who refused to aid the officer; two of the parties were found guilty and fined, and it seems that the third man went to Chapman and admonished him to walk along in peace, and as he did not heed his pleadings, not feeling able to resist, went to find one of the constables. In making the warrant the man in question was charged with not doing as he was told, and at the trial he withdrew the charge, after finding out that the man in question had made an effort, hence the trial.

For first-class Upholstery, furniture repairing, carpet laying, awnings, tents, wagon covers, etc., etc., go to A. Beer, southwest corner old square. feb9-14wif
"Mr Little son, three years of age, was terribly afflicted with scrofula. His head was entirely covered with scrofulous sores, and his body showed many marks of the disease. A few bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla cured him."—W. J. Beckett, Hymera, Ind.
J. M. Huff sets a fine lunch at his place, just north of Millikin's bank.
ARTISTICALLY cut and made Children's Overcoats, at reasonable figures, in latest styles, at Stine's.

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Verdict in the Aholtz Case—A Year at Joliet.
Court convened at the usual hour this morning.
PEOPLE'S DOCKET.
People vs. William Hongland; assault on Walter Majors to murder and do bodily harm; two cases; trial by jury pending. This is a prosecution growing out of the bloody fight that occurred at Warsawburg on Thanksgiving day, 1885, in which Eugene Thomas and William Hongland and Walter and Frank Majors engaged. Walter received five cuts at the hands of defendant and came near dying.
People vs. Fred. Aholtz; forgery. Continued by agreement.
People vs. — Rubeusmen; selling liquor to minor. Fined \$40 and costs.
A YEAR AT JOLIET.
The arguments in the Fred. Aholtz forgery case were concluded yesterday afternoon, and soon after 7 o'clock the jury agreed upon a verdict. The judge and attorneys were notified and everything was in readiness to announce the verdict, but the defendant was not in court. He had gone home to supper. The court waited for him to come in, but he did not appear, and an officer was sent to his home, on Mason street, to notify him that his presence was desired. Shortly before 8 o'clock he appeared in company with Constable Weisner, and the jury having appeared the verdict was handed to Judge Smith by the foreman, O. Z. Greene. It was announced: "We, the jury, find the defendant guilty on the third count," which was for uttering a forged paper, and "for his imprisonment at one year in the penitentiary." Attorneys Passo, Sherrett, and Gray, who with Mr. Ewing, were counsel for the defendant, were present, and Mr. Gray polled the jury. Then he entered a motion for a new trial, and the entry on the docket having been made, the court ordered Mr. Aholtz placed in custody of the sheriff. To this Attorney Passo objected, saying that the defendant was under good bonds for forgery in another case; but the court cut him off by stating that it was the universal custom to place a party convicted of a felony in custody. There was no way out of the situation, and Mr. Aholtz, after some delay growing out of defendant's desire to consult with attorneys, was taken over to jail and locked up.

Mr. Aholtz has been plaintiff and defendant in many cases in circuit and appellate courts. It is said he has had nearly 90 cases on the docket, and has been so long at law that he believes he is smarter than many of the attorneys. In justice courts he has frequently appeared in his own behalf. As heretofore stated, the forgery charge grows out of the filing of an injunction bond in the circuit court. It was for \$300, and the name of George Stare was put upon it as one of the sureties. Aholtz was defeated here and in the appellate court, and when the bondsman were sued to recover costs in the litigation, Mr. Stare first heard of his name being on the bond, and he pronounced the signature a forgery. The paper was used for the benefit of Mr. Aholtz, and he was indicted on two separate charges. On the witness stand the defendant said he had authority from Mr. Stare to sign his name to bonds. Mr. Stare himself testified that he did not sign the bond, and did not give Mr. Aholtz or any one else permission to sign his name to bonds.

Mr. Aholtz is a man who has lived here many years, and at one time possessed considerable property. He is nearly 60 years of age, and has a wife and several children.
There is some complaint about the present poor quality of the city water. The cause is traced to the unfinished state of the new filter and the high water. There is no cover on the filter to protect it from overflow, and there are no charcoal mattresses nor gravel beds in the filter. Better have the filter finished before another flood.

The great spectacular attraction, "Around the World in 80 Days," will appear at the opera house this evening, when the piece will be given in all its splendor, as indicated by the bills and lithographs. The troupe comes highly recommended. Prices, 25, 50 and 75 cents.

Revival Notes.
There were forty seekers at the altar at Stapp's Chapel last night, and many conversions. The jubilee will probably be held on Tuesday next, when it is expected Bishop Bowman will be present. There was one conversion at the United Brethren church. Preaching again to-night.
The Christian church was filled again last night to hear Rev. Zollars. Three persons made a start to unite with the church. "Justification" will be the subject of the discourse to-night.

The Home Mission entertainment at the opera house last night brought out a large audience of ladies and gentlemen. The performance was a good one and won rounds of applause. The singers were in fine voice, and the specialty acts went smoothly. Brett, the club swinger and Hall, the contortionist, brought down the house.
The funeral of the late Mrs. Gaspard Buzon took place this forenoon from the Universalist church in the presence of a large assemblage of friends who had known the deceased during her long residence in the city. Rev. D. P. Bunn was the officiating minister.

A LARGO number of friends filled the Baptist church yesterday afternoon, when the funeral services over the remains of the late Miss Jessie Johnson took place. The officiating ministers were Rev. Dr. Vosstron and Rev. Prestley. Floral offerings from the High School class, the Sabbath school and friends in Ohio, were displayed. Jessie was a young girl of 14, greatly beloved by all her schoolmates and friends. The pall bearers were Henry Kizer, John Eslinger, Cliff Arthur, George Fruit, Jessie Wiswell and Charles Donnison. The burial took place in Greenwood.

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Hon. W. B. Chambers has sold his splendid residence property on College Hill, to Mr. Silas Packard, who will take possession in a few weeks. The consideration is \$15,000. The papers were drawn up and signed to-day.
Mr. Chambers takes Mr. Packard's residence at \$7,000, including the carpets and other fixtures, and \$8,000 in cash for his old home. Mr. Packard takes the Chambers place together with the carpets, wardrobes and other fixtures in exchange for cash and property.
The exchange of deeds was not made until nearly noon to-day, and Mr. Packard did not file his deed until after 1 o'clock this afternoon. The two families will exchange residences as soon as the weather will permit.

A NEW PROJECT.
Street Car Enterprise—A New Line in Contemplation.

Decatur citizens are making an effort to establish another horse car line, and the movers in the enterprise are now busy securing signers along the contemplated route. It is proposed to construct and operate a street car line from the old square north on Main street to Green street, thence east to Water and north on Water street to a point beyond the city limits near the crossing of the P. D. & E. railroad track.
How many capitalists are engaged in the enterprise is not known, but it is known that ex-Mayor Waggoner and Mr. Ben. Hill are interested in the undertaking. Such a line with a park at the north end would bring in many dealers and be an accommodation to the people generally.

Real Estate Sales.
Truman Crissey to-day sold a vacant lot on West Prairie street, west of the Crissey homestead property, to W. C. Armstrong, the druggist, for \$2400. The lot has a frontage of 60 feet. The sale was made through Randolph & Gher. Mr. A. will put up a fine residence on the lot.
Hiram Johnson sold 40 acres near Prairie Home to Wm. G. Younger, of Monticello county. Consideration \$1,500.
O. C. Stafford has commenced hauling brick on his lot on South Water street, where a dwelling house is soon to be erected.

Big Mortgages.
Two heavy mortgages have just been filed for record in Clerk McClellan's office. One is for \$9,000,000, given by the Illinois Central Railroad Company on their property, to the United Trust Co. of New York, payable July 1, 1950, in London, England, drawing interest at not more than 4 per cent per annum. The mortgage is signed by James C. Clarke, president, and W. J. Maria, secretary. The mortgage is to be filed in all counties through which the road passes.
The other mortgage is for \$2,000,000, a plaster on the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville railway property, given by the company to the Centrl Trust Co. of New York, and William A. Heilman, of Evansville, Ind. It is payable in New York in 1920, and the interest is 5 per cent per annum. D. J. Mickey, president, and L. M. Schwan, secretary, are the signers.

PERSONAL MENTION.
Mrs. J. H. Alexander is in St. Clair county on a visit.
Mrs. J. R. Boyer who has been seriously ill for ten days, is much better to-day.
H. B. Cole is the proud father of a baby girl, born Monday.
Mrs. E. G. Tucker returned to her home at Springfield this afternoon.
Mrs. O. A. Evans, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., and Miss Laura Evans, of Bloomington, are guests of Mrs. C. C. Clark.

Alfred Wentz, of Whitmore township, and E. H. Lyons, of Penn; Maggie Conroy and Charles Hockery, of Decatur; Della Wheeler and Pope Hiser, of Oakley, have been granted marriage licenses.
H. M. Barnett sends us \$5 from Vansburg, Kansas, renewing his subscription to the REPUBLICAN and paying up in advance. He says he "planted walnuts and covered them with a plow on Jan. 30."
Henry McClellan, deputy circuit clerk, who has been confined to his home since Jan. 5th, with inflammatory rheumatism, since his severe attack. He looks pulled down several pegs, but will soon be himself again.

Chicago Snood Incorrect.
THE REPUBLICAN: I noticed in the REPUBLICAN of yesterday a solution of the "beef problem" as given by Mr. C. M. Snood, of Chicago. If his incorrect solution was not accompanied with such an egotistic, bombastic insult to every mathematician and common school pupil in Decatur I would pay no attention to his windy production. But when he claims to be so fully up in mathematics and that algebra, geometry, trigonometry, etc., etc., and then in proof of his vast knowledge offers a solution so far from being correct as to be easily detected by any 10-year-old school child in Decatur—I think he ought to be informed at least that we do not accept or take for granted that he is such a wonderful mathematician as he claims, when a simple mental calculation shows that his solution will not prove to the satisfaction of anyone who knows anything about common school arithmetic even. He gives the result of his algebraic statement as follows:
A. takes 238 lbs. 1 and 524-1000 oz.
B. takes 261 lbs 14 and 476-1000 oz.
These two amounts will make 500 lbs. (This is true). Then A. pays 10% cents per lb. and B. pays 9% cents per lb.
He says this will prove to the satisfaction of anyone. Let us see:
238 lbs 1 524-1000 oz at 10% = \$25.00
261 lbs 14 476-1000 oz at 9% = \$24.48
Now the answer sought is that each shall pay exactly \$25.00; that A. shall pay 1 cent per lb. more than B. and that the two portions of meat shall amount to exactly 500 lbs. Any one can see that Mr. Snood is not the mathematician he would have us believe. I don't know of anyone here who has tried it who has not come nearer a correct solution than his. We will not need to send him a big one at present. This little squib, as he calls it, is evidently more than he can handle. He may be a good mathematician in Chicago, but would be of no account here. If, with the aid of his companions he should succeed in working it out, we will give him more. E. L. S.

G. P. Hart for upholstery and shade goods.

A Better Outlook—Special Meetings of the County Board and City Council to be Held.
Orlando Powers Donates 20 Acres for the Site.
The adjourned meeting of Decatur citizens to further consider the ways and means of securing the permanent location of the state fair at this point was held at the court house last night, Dr. H. C. Johns occupying the chair. There was a large attendance of property owners and the discussion was of a more hopeful character, the general feeling being that Decatur should make every possible effort to secure the fair. Senator Johns, who came up from Springfield last evening to attend the meeting, brought with him a copy of the bill as introduced for adoption in the legislature, and it was read by the secretary. The amount of the appropriation is left blank in the bill, and there is a provision for two paved streets from the central part of the city to the ground entrance.
Chairman Montgomery, of the location committee, was not ready to make a final report, but said the committee believed they could get 160 acres including the old fair grounds by taking in the Andrew Dennis farm, forming a square piece of ground.
Senator Johns was called upon for a speech. He stated that the four competing points were Decatur, Springfield, Peoria and Bloomington; that the people of the last named place, he had reason to believe, were working secretly. All were active and energetic. It is the purpose of those in favor of Springfield, to have the bill passed with the name of the capital inserted in the document, thus taking that important matter out of the hands of the state board of agriculture, whose members he believed to be in favor of Decatur. He spoke of the advantages the fair would be to Decatur, increasing the population, giving employment to people for many months, and enhancing the value of property. It is admitted that all the successful state fairs have been held in Decatur. They were four in number. Of the 160 acres required in the bill, permanent buildings of large structure and much expense put up by manufacturing firms would be scattered over 50 acres. The Senator suggested that special meetings of the county board and city council be held as soon as possible and that these bodies be solicited to aid in filling the requirements of the bill, and further that a large committee of citizens be selected, not to solicit money, but to assess those who will be benefited most by the fair, and then go to those assessed and have them plank down the cash. It is useless to work in the matter except to comply with the bill in its present form, though it might not be adopted as presented. He believed Decatur had a good show to get the fair.

In response to calls Dr. R. L. Wriston spoke earnestly in favor of aggressive work, and urged that the people second the activity displayed by Senator Johns. Supervisor Freeman was anxious to have the fair located in Decatur, and he believed all members of the county board felt likewise. He suggested that the board might transfer the grounds for one dollar, and that money might be appropriated to make repairs in the way of paving the roads to the grounds. He would sign a call for a special meeting of the board.
Supervisor H. W. Davis, of Decatur, spoke as a citizen, and said the fair would be a good investment and that we should act at once in the matter.
Supervisor Imboden thought it was time for action, and remarked that he would do all he could under the law to secure the location of the fair at this point.
Supervisor S. C. Davis, of Long Creek, said he would sign a call for a meeting of the board.

On motion of T. L. Antrim it was voted that the members of the board of supervisors be requested to hold a special meeting to take action on the points under consideration, that of donating the old grounds for a dollar consideration and making any appropriations of money they can under the law.
A speech was made by Fred Smith, who said he would rather have the state fair than the state capital. J. R. Rice and others offered encouraging remarks.
The following managing committee was appointed to look after the interests of Decatur in a general way: A. T. Hall, Jason Rogers, W. B. Chambers, John K. Warren, D. S. Shellabarger, H. C. Johns, James Freeman and Geo. S. Durfee.
On motion it was requested that a special meeting of the city council be held to take such action as may be deemed proper.
Chairman Tait made a favorable report from the committee on railroads, stating that he was assured the requirements of the bill would be met.
The meeting then adjourned to meet again on call of chairman.

GOOD NEWS.
Let her boom. It's a go. The locating committee called on Mr. Orlando Powers this forenoon to see if he would donate 20 acres of ground east of the present fair grounds if Decatur should secure the state fair. He at once stated that he would do so. This is a generous offer and should arouse general enthusiasm. Mr. Andrew Dennis, who owns land on the south, also made a generous offer to the committee. A desirable site is assured. Let the good work go on. Talk up the fair and get ready to plank down the cash to fill the requirements.

New Livery Stable.
H. Stephenson has opened a livery and boarding stable at No. 144 E. Cerro Gordo street. Call on him. feb7-12wif

The Chicago Grain Market.
The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Commission Merchant.
WHEAT—76 Feb; 76 1/2 Mar; 78 1/2 Apr; 82 1/2 May.
COAR—35 Feb; 35 Mar; 35 1/2 Apr; 40 1/2 May.
OATS—25 Feb; 25 1/2 Mar; 25 3/4 Apr; 29 1/2 May.
FORK—\$13.57; Mar; \$13.67 Apr; \$13.72 May.
LARD—\$6.70 March; \$6.77 April; \$6.85 May.
RIBS—\$6.90 March; \$6.55 April; \$7.02 May.
Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 15,000; prospects shade higher. Cattle, 6,500; market steady. Car Lots—Wheat: Winter & Spring 18; Corn, 120; Oats, 69.

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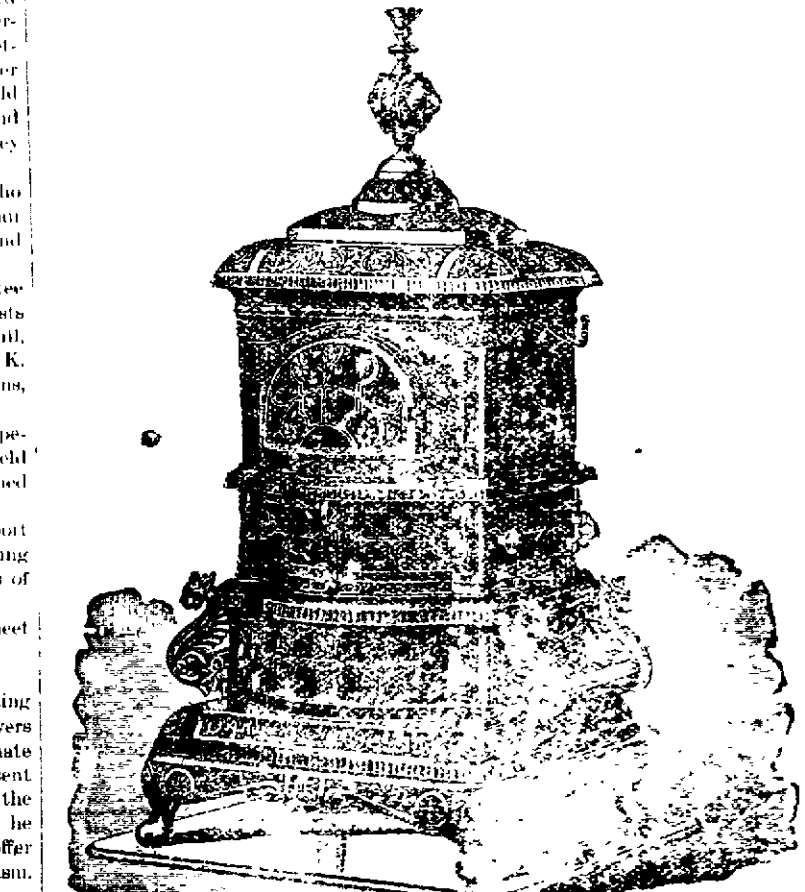
12,000 Yards Fine Undressed Bleached Cotton, at 5c.
15,000 Yards Extra Fine Undressed Bleached Cotton, at 6 3-4c.
5,500 Yards Heavy Brown Sheetting, at 5c.
5,500 Yards Best Brown Muslin, at 6c.
4,000 Yards Best Calico, at 3c.
Ladies' Lace Trimmed Chemise and Drawers to match, 17c.
" " " " " " 25c.
Ladies' Cambric Ruffled Night Dresses, at 35c.
6,000 Yards Best Fast-Colored Indigo Prints, at 6c.
4,000 Yards Best Dress Ginghams, at 6 1-2c.

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